

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/783,435

Examiner

Prenell P. Jones

Applicant(s)

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 12/12/07.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,3-15,21,23-35, 41-43 and 45-55.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____.

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.

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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☒ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Ms. Janaki Davda (Applicant Representative) on January 29, 2008.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the Specification:

On page 16, in line 15-16; delete ", firmware, programmable logic, "

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 1, 3-15, 21, 23-35, 41-43 and 45-55 are allowed over prior art.
3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Applicant has amended claims to correct previous 101 issues. In addition, for the purpose of examination, the deletion of such embodiments (removing references to the medium being propagation media, etc.) is being treated as an explicit act to remove such embodiments from the scope of the claims."
4. The prior art fail to teach or suggest fairly ***with respect to claim 1***, generating at least one trigger for said event, wherein said trigger is associated with at least one configuration policy, and comparing said configuration policy associated with said trigger with said configuration data associated with said event for which said trigger was generated, and determining whether said configuration policy has been violated based on the comparison, ***with respect to claim 12 and 32***, generating at least one transaction based on said hypothetical network scenario, updating components in a hypothetical network scenario, and rezoning components in said hypothetical network scenario, and rezoning components in said hypothetical network scenario, with respect to claim ***14, 34 and 42***, scanning a network data store for at least one transaction, wherein said transaction includes one of connecting components, adding components, updating components and rezoning components in said network, and using configuration data associated with said event to determine whether a configuration policy has been violated based on transaction results, ***with respect to claim 21 and 41***, generating at least one trigger for said event, wherein said trigger is associated with at least one configuration policy, and comparing said configuration policy associated with said

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trigger with said configuration data associated with said event for which said trigger was generated,

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Prenell P. Jones whose telephone number is 571-272-3180. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:00-5:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor Wing Chan can be reached on 571-272-7493. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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